

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q76095

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**Cont. Application of USSN 10/147,916**

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For: PRINTING BY SWITCHING SUB-SCAN FEEDING BETWEEN MONOCHROMATIC  
AND COLOR AREAS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a continuation of Application No. 10/147,916 filed May 20, 2002; the disclosure  
of which is incorporated herein by reference.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please amend the claims as follows:**

1. (Amended) A printing method comprising the steps of:

providing a print head having